

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the paragraph starting on page 12, at line 9, as follows:

The statistical multiplexer 116 (Fig. 2) can be implemented in one or more layers of the base station ~~200~~ 202 (e.g., ~~the~~ transceiver ~~227~~ 253, RLC/MAC layer ~~225~~ 255, and higher layers, as shown in Fig. 4B).